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Transmitted herewith for filing is a Divisional Patent Application of the parent application

serial number 09/952872
Group Art Unit 1773
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For: Thin Film Protective Layer with Buffering Interface

Enclosed with the Patent Application Specification are:

- 2 Sheet(s) of x formal informal drawing(s)
X A copy Declaration and Power of Attorney from the patent application 09/952872

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Respectfully submitted,

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